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| (d) They present additional claims without canceling a | | ected claims. | |
| NOTE: <u>See Continuation Sheet</u> . (See 37 CFR 1.14. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.1 | * ** | maliant Amandmant | (DTOL 224) |
| 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s) | · | impliant Amendment | (PTOL-324). |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be a non-allowable claim(s). | | timely filed amendme | ent canceling the |
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Continuation of 3. NOTE: the addition of the limitations "...wherein the first lateral member further comprises a third cylinder having an axis parallel to and spaced form the first recess, with the reduced opening of the first reces extending in a direction from the first recess opposite to the third cylinder, with the third cylinder to be wound by an end of the collar..." and "...wherein the second lateral member further comprises a fourth cylinder having an axis parallel to and spaced from the second recess, with the reduced opening of the second recess extending in a direction from the second recess opposite to the fourth cylinder, with the fourth cylinder to be wound by an end of the collar..." in claim 16 and "...with the first, reduced opening extending from the first recess opposite to the second recess and the second reduced opening extending from the second recess opposite to the first recess, with the first and second, reduced openings extending in opposite directions from the first and second recesses in the central member..." in claim 18 all raise new issues that would require further search and/or consideration.